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IN THE CLAIMS

1. (currently amended) A method for managing ultrasound examination information, the method comprising:

determining a completion of at least one ultrasound scan performed during an ultrasound examination; [[and]]

providing electronic notification of completion of the at least one ultrasound scan with a completion signal: and

generating separate outputs based upon the electronic notification, wherein the outputs comprise billing statements that are automatically generated based upon one or more criteria including a type of scan, a doctor ordering the ultrasound scan and an insurance company to be billed for the ultrasound scan.

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (original) A method in accordance with claim 2 wherein the generating is provided automatically upon the completion of the at least one scan.

5. (original) A method in accordance with claim 1 wherein at least one of the ultrasound scans comprises an unscheduled scan.

6. (original) A method in accordance with claim 1 wherein the electronic notification is provided automatically upon completion of a scan.

7. (original) A method in accordance with claim 1 wherein the electronic notification is provided based upon a user input.